



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND ENERGY

April 13, 2005

D.T.E. 04-109

Petition of Western Massachusetts Electric Company for approval of its Standard Offer and Default Service reconciliations for 2003 and for approval of its Transmission Cost Adjustment filing for 2005.

D.T.E. 05-10

Petition of Western Massachusetts Electric Company for approval of its Transition, Standard Offer, Default Service, and Transmission Service reconciliation filing for 2004.

On November 24, 2004, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4) and the Restructuring Settlement Agreement approved by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department") in Western Massachusetts Electric Company, D.T.E. 97-120-E (2000), Western Massachusetts Electric Company ("WMECo" or "Company") submitted its calendar year 2003 Standard Offer Service and Default Service reconciliations and calendar year 2005 Transmission Cost Adjustment filing. This filing was docketed as D.T.E. 04-109.

On March 31, 2005, pursuant to G.L. c. 164, § 1A(a), 220 C.M.R. § 11.03(4) and the Restructuring Settlement Agreement approved by the Department in Western Massachusetts Electric Company, D.T.E. 97-120-E (2000), WMECo submitted its reconciliation filing to reconcile calendar years 2003 through 2004 Transition costs; Standard Offer Service costs for the period January 1, 2002 through the end of the Standard Offer period, February 28, 2005; and calendar years 2002 through 2004 costs for default service and transmission service. This filing was docketed as D.T.E. 05-10.

In addition, on March 31, 2004, WMECo submitted its reconciliation filing for calendar year 2003 Transition costs, calendar-year 2002 Standard Offer and Default Service costs and calendar year 2004 Transmission costs. This filing was docketed as D.T.E. 04-40. On December 1, 2004, the Company updated its filing in D.T.E. 04-40 to respond to the directives in the Department's Order in D.T.E. 03-34. The Department held a public hearing and procedural conference for D.T.E. 04-40 on November 16, 2004. The company has requested that these matters be considered together with D.T.E. 04-109 and D.T.E. 05-10. Accordingly, for ease of reference, WMECo has combined these filings into one document.

The Department will conduct a public hearing to receive comments on D.T.E. 04-109 and D.T.E. 05-10 on **Thursday, May 5, 2005**, at 1:00 p.m. at the Department's offices, One South Station - 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110. The Department plans to hold a procedural conference immediately following the conclusion of the public hearing. Any person who desires to comment may do so at the same place noted above or submit written comments to the Department by Tuesday, May 3, 2005.

Any person who desires to participate in the evidentiary phase of this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene with the Department not later than the close of business on **Tuesday, May 3, 2005**. A petition for leave to intervene must satisfy the timing and substantive requirements of 220 C.M.R. § 1.03. Receipt by the Department, not mailing, constitutes filing and determines whether a petition has been timely filed. A petition filed late may be disallowed as untimely, unless good cause is shown for waiver under 220 C.M.R. § 1.01(4). To be allowed, a petition under 220 C.M.R. § 1.03(1) must satisfy the standing requirements of G.L. c. 30A, § 10.

An original and five (5) copies of all written comments or petitions to intervene must be filed with Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary, Department of Telecommunications and Energy - One South Station - 2nd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110 not later than the close of business on the dates noted above. One copy of all written comments or petitions to intervene should also be sent to WMECo's attorney, Stephen Klionsky, 100 Summer Street, 23rd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2131.

All written comments also should be submitted to the Department in electronic format using one of the following methods: (1) by e-mail attachment to dte.efiling@state.ma.us and sandra.callahan@state.ma.us, or (2) on a 3.5" disk. The text of the e-mail or the disk label must specify: (1) the docket number of the proceeding (D.T.E. 04-40/04-109/05-10), (2) name of the person or company submitting the filing, and (3) a brief descriptive title of the document. The electronic filing should also include the name, title and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing. Text responses should be created in either Corel WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or as an Adobe-compatible PDF file. Data or spreadsheet responses should be compatible with Microsoft Excel. All comments submitted in electronic format will be posted on the Department's web site: <http://www.mass.gov/dte>.

The Company's filings may be inspected at the Department's offices during normal business hours (Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). Copies are also on file for public viewing at the offices of the Company, One Federal St. Building 111-4 Springfield, MA 01105, and at WMECo's Legal Department, 100 Summer Street, 23rd Floor, Boston, Massachusetts 02110-2131. Any person desiring further information regarding the Company's filing should contact Pat Wood, (413) 781-4300, ext. 2293 at the Company's offices or Stephen Klionsky, Esq., (617) 345-1066, at WMECo's Legal Department. Any

person desiring further information regarding this notice should contact Sandy Callahan, Hearing Officer, Department of Telecommunications and Energy, at (617) 305-3500.



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ORDER OF NOTICE

April 12, 2005

D.T.E. 04-109

Petition of Western Massachusetts Electric Company for approval of its Standard Offer and Default Service reconciliations for calendar year 2003 and for approval of its Transmission Cost Adjustment filing for calendar year 2005.

D.T.E. 05-10

Petition of Western Massachusetts Electric Company for approval of its Transition Charge Reconciliation filing for calendar year 2004.

Western Massachusetts Electric Company shall, no later than fourteen (14) days prior to **Thursday, May 5, 2004**, give notice of said hearing by publication hereof in the Berkshire Eagle (Pittsfield), The Republican (Springfield), and in either The Boston Globe or the Boston Herald. The Company shall also serve a copy of the notice on the Chairmen of the Board of Selectmen, the Board of Selectmen, Town Clerks, Mayors, and City Clerks of the cities and towns in the Company's service area until the comment period has expired, provide actual notice to any person who has filed a request for notice with the Company, and provide a copy of this notice to all participants in D.T.E. 97-120, D.T.E. 00-33, D.T.E. 01-36/02-20 and D.T.E. 03-34. The Company shall make return of service and publication at the time of the public hearing.

By Order of the Department

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary